



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 570

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House Bill No. 5370

House of Representatives, April 21, 2022

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. WALKER of the 93rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT INCREASING THE COMPENSATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN MILITARY FUNERAL HONOR GUARD DETAILS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 27-76 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):

3 When requested by the commander of any accredited veteran
4 organization or by friends or relatives of any deceased person who has
5 served in any of the armed forces of the United States during time of
6 war, as defined in section 27-103, or who has served in the National
7 Guard for more than twenty years or who has died while a member of
8 the National Guard, the Adjutant General shall order an honor guard
9 detail from the National Guard, the naval militia, the State Guard or the
10 organized militia to attend the funeral, except that if an honor guard
11 detail from such guard or militia is unavailable or committed elsewhere,
12 the Adjutant General shall request an honor guard detail from a bona
13 fide Connecticut state veterans' organization, provided such detail shall
14 comply with the rules and procedures set forth in Connecticut National

15 Guard regulation 37-106. Such detail shall consist of not more than five
16 members plus one bugler. The members thereof shall be compensated
17 at the rate of [fifty] sixty dollars per day. Such compensation shall be
18 paid from funds appropriated to the Adjutant General for the pay of the
19 National Guard and from federal funds received for that purpose.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2022	27-76

VA *Joint Favorable C/R*

APP

APP *Joint Favorable*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Military Dept.	GF - Cost	80,000	80,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill increases the per day compensation of honor guard members from \$50 to \$60 resulting in an approximate cost to the state of \$80,000 in FY 23 and FY 24.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of days worked by honor guards.

OLR Bill Analysis**HB 5370*****AN ACT INCREASING THE COMPENSATION FOR PARTICIPATION
IN MILITARY FUNERAL HONOR GUARD DETAILS.*****SUMMARY**

This bill increases, from \$50 to \$60, the daily pay for each member of an honor guard detail at a veteran's funeral. By law, the payment is made from appropriations for National Guard pay and from federal funds for providing the honor guards. By law, an honor guard detail consists of up to five members, plus a bugler.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2022

COMMITTEE ACTION

Veterans' Affairs Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference - APP
Yea 16 Nay 0 (03/15/2022)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable
Yea 50 Nay 0 (04/07/2022)